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POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Franklin Man in Jail After Brutally Attacking Mother

Suspect Arrested After Relentless Search by Police

Franklin, TN – Matthew S. McCray, 29 of Franklin remains in custody today on a \$25,000 bond after brutally attacking his mother over the weekend. Police were summoned to 4430 Peytonsville Road by a family member just after 3:30 a.m., Saturday morning. Arriving officers found that McCray's 55-year-old mother had been badly beaten over a period of approximately two hours. During the attack, McCray repeatedly punched his mother in the face and showed her numerous edged weapons while repeatedly threatening to kill her. McCray forced his mother out of the home and into her vehicle during the attack, ordering that she drive him to Nashville where he got out and fled on foot on Harding Place. Mrs. McCray drove herself back to her Franklin home where another family member called 911 after seeing that she needed medical attention. She was transported by ambulance to the Williamson Medical Center where she was treated and released.



Matthew S. McCray
Date of Birth: 01/26/1980
4430 Peytonsville Road
Franklin, TN 37064

Franklin Police located and arrested McCray later the same evening at 12th Avenue and Olympic Drive in Nashville after receiving information that he may be in that area. Sergeant Eric Anderson supervises the Department's Special Victims Unit, comprised of a group of detectives who specialize in the investigation of family violence and the abuse of children. Sgt. Anderson said "We knew when we were notified of the nature and seriousness of this case that we were going to be at this, non-stop, until this suspect was in custody. That was accomplished in short order by Detective Cisco, and a team of officers who worked quickly to get a dangerous man off the street."

McCray, who was on probation for a 2008 theft charge at the time of his arrest, has a lengthy criminal history that includes numerous misdemeanor and felony charges.

Matthew McCray was booked into the Williamson County Jail on Aggravated Assault and Aggravated Kidnapping warrants obtained by Detective Stephanie Cisco. McCray is scheduled to appear in Williamson County General Sessions Court on June 2 at 8:15 a.m.

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